

READY FOR THE BIG FIGHT

Jeffries and Corbett Both in Pink of Condition.

GREAT INTEREST IN CONTEST.

Sale of Seats is Phenomenal and it is Expected Attendance Will Exceed Twelve Thousand—Neil is Best Bantamweight.

San Francisco, Aug. 14.—Special to The News: Will science triumph over brute force or vice versa at Mechanic's pavilion tonight? Will Corbett, the idol of admirers of scientific boxing methods, succumb to Jeffries, the ideal rough and ready fighter? These are questions asked and answered in the affirmative by sporting men. Some good judges of matters pugilistic are of the opinion that Corbett's science will earn for him the title of heavyweight champion and the right to collect the winner's share of the big purse, but the most shrewd observers say they are convinced that the former boiler-maker will again defeat the man who won the pugilistic crown from John L. Sullivan.

Ring Career of Jeffries.

It was Tom Sharkey who gave James J. Jeffries his start in life. This the sailor did in a twenty-round battle in San Francisco May 6, 1898. He was born in 1875 in Ohio, but had spent the greater part of his life in California. The record of Jeffries' principal fights is as follows:

1897, T. Van Buskirk, San Francisco, 2 rounds, knocked out. May 19—Henry Baker, San Francisco, 9 rounds, knocked out. July 17—Gus Ruhlin, San Francisco, 20 rounds, draw. Nov. 30—Joe Choynski, Los Angeles, 20 rounds, draw. 1898, Feb. 28—Joe Goddard, Los Angeles, 4 rounds, won. March 28—Peter Jackson, Los Angeles, 3 rounds, won. April 22—Pete Everett, Los Angeles, 3 rounds, won. May 6—Tom Sharkey, Los Angeles, 20 rounds, won. Aug. 6—Bob Armstrong, New York, 10 rounds, won. 1899, June 9—Robert Fitzsimmons, Coney Island, 11 rounds, knocked out. Nov. 3—Tom Sharkey, Coney Island, 25 rounds, won. 1900, April 6—Jack Finnegan, Detroit, 1 round, knocked out. May 11—James J. Corbett, Coney Island, 23 rounds, knocked out. 1901, "Hank Griffin, Los Angeles, 4 rounds, won. Sept. 24—J. Kennedy, Oakland, 2 rounds, won. Nov. 15—Gus Ruhlin, San Francisco, 5 rounds, won. 1902, July 25, Robert Fitzsimmons, San Francisco, 8 rounds, knocked out.

Career of Corbett.

James J. Corbett was born in San Francisco, September 1, 1856, and consequently is 9 years older than Jeffries. The complete record of his fights after he attained prominence is as follows:

1886, Billy Welch, San Francisco, 1 round, won. George Atkinson, San Francisco, 2 rounds, won. 1888, June 30—Frank Glover, San Francisco, 3 rounds, draw. 1899, May 30—Joe Choynski, Fairfax, Cal., police interfered, contest postponed. July 29—"Dave" Campbell, Portland, Ore., 10 rounds, draw. June 5—Joe Choynski, San Francisco, 4 rounds, won. 1890, Feb. 18—Jake Kilrain, New Orleans, 6 rounds, won. April 4—Domineck McCaffrey, Brooklyn, 4 rounds, won. 1891, May 21—Peter Jackson, San Francisco, 61 rounds, draw. Oct. 8—"Ed" Kinney, Milwaukee, 4 rounds, won. 1892, Feb. 16—"Bill" Spilling, New York, 1 round, won; "Bob" Caffrey, New York, 1 round, won. Sept. 7 John L. Sullivan, New Orleans, 21 rounds, won. 1894, Jan. 25—"Charlie" Mitchell, Jacksonville, Fla., 3 rounds, won. Sept. 7—Peter Courtney, Orange, N. J., 6 rounds, for benefit of kinetoscope. 1897, March 17—Robert Fitzsimmons, Carson City, Nev., 14 rounds, knocked out. 1899, Nov. 22—Tom Sharkey, Lenox, A. C., New York, won. 1900, May 11—James J. Jeffries, New York, 23 rounds, knocked out.

San Francisco, Aug. 14.—Never in this city has more interest been taken in a pugilistic encounter than is now manifested regarding tonight's contest between James J. Corbett and James J. Jeffries. Betting, however, has been comparatively light, at the prevailing odds of 2 to 1 on Jeffries. The attendance promises to exceed 12,000, and so fast have the tickets been sold, notwithstanding the big prices asked, that additional seats have been placed in the pavilion. When the time is called tonight there is not likely to be an uncoupled seat in sight of the ring. Jeffries is at the Reliance club in Oakland, where he will remain until a few hours before the fight. He certainly never looked more fit in his life. His muscles stand out hard and firm over his massive hulk and his skin is of that ruddy hue that characterizes the perfect type of physical fitness.

Trainer Delaney said: "Jeffries is as fast as he can be, his wind is perfect, his condition is the finest it ever

was, and if Corbett whips him he will be the wonder of the age. Jeffries himself figures that he will take the measure of the Olympian in about ten rounds. In his opinion the mill may go fifteen, but not more than that."

When seen at his training quarters in Alameda, Corbett said: "I would be willing to lose one of my arms if I can defeat Jeffries. I know that he is a big, tough fellow, but nothing can discourage me. If the betting were 100 to 1 in favor of Jeffries, it would make no difference. I have been doing everything that mortal man could do for the last fifteen months to get into condition for this fight and now that I have finished my work, I am satisfied. I am fit to make the fight of my life tonight, and if I don't win, I never could or never can win against the man."

Neil Defeats Forbes.

San Francisco, Aug. 14.—Frankie Neil of San Francisco won the bantamweight championship of the world last night when he landed a left swing in the pit of Harry Forbes' stomach in the second round of a scheduled twenty-round fight. Forbes, by virtue of holding the championship, was a 2 to 1 favorite in the betting, but Neil, in spite of that fact, had many local supporters. Forbes, who appeared to be in splendid condition, was much the showier boxer of the two, but he could not land effectively.

JETT AND WHITE GUILTY.

Both Murderers Will Spend the Rest of Their Lives in Penitentiary of Kentucky.

Cynthiana, Ky., Aug. 14.—Special to The News: Jett and White have been found guilty by jury of murder in the first degree. They are sentenced to life imprisonment in the Kentucky state penitentiary.

GOES THROUGH A BRIDGE.

Texas Express on Rock Island Wrecked Near McFarland, Kan. Topeka, Kan., Aug. 14.—The engine, mail and baggage cars of the Texas express on the Rock Island, which leaves Topeka at midnight, went through a bridge across Hendricks creek near Alma at 1:30 a. m., killing Fireman John Leygett of McFarland, Kan., and injuring Engineer John McSteen of Kansas City.

The baggage men and express men jumped when the shock came and were swept by the waters on tree tops, from whence they were rescued at daylight by a fisherman named William Graves. Graves also found the engineer unconscious, tangled in the limbs of a tree.

The engine is in the bottom of the creek, out of sight. One car is dangling from the end of the bridge, and another is lodged on the bank at the end of the bridge, and another is lodged on the bank of the stream, partly under water.

That further loss of life did not follow is due to the narrowness of the stream where the disaster occurred. A cloudburst had filled the creek and weakened the bridge.

Anti-Trust Meeting at Capital.

Washington, Aug. 14.—An anti-trust meeting, which packed the new National theater to the doors, was held here last night. The speakers included Henry George, Representative Shober of New York and Representative Van Dusen of Nevada. H. W. Sherman, president of the Central Labor union of Washington, presided. Attorney General Knox and President Roosevelt were arraigned for alleged failure to vigorously enforce the Sherman anti-trust law. Representative Shober spoke of William R. Hearst as the man best equipped to lead the people in the battle against the trusts.

No New Trial for Murderer.

Salt Lake, Aug. 14.—The supreme court affirmed the verdict of guilty of murder in the first degree against Peter Mortensen and refused to grant him a new trial. Mortensen was found guilty of murdering James R. Hay, secretary of the Pacific Lumber company, and burying his body in an open field.

Teamsters Form New Organization. Niagara Falls, N. Y., Aug. 14.—The Amalgamated Brotherhood of Teamsters and Helpers, newly formed here, and representing 150,000 teamsters in the United States, have selected Indianapolis for permanent headquarters and Cincinnati as their meeting place next August.

Lords Agree to Irish Land Bill.

London, Aug. 14.—The house of lords agreed to the Irish land bill in the form finally approved by the house of commons. The latter house accepted all the amendments except two unimportant measures, and it now only awaits the royal assent to become law.

Chinese Troops Are Defeated.

Hong Kong, Aug. 14.—The Chinese Imperial troops have been defeated by rebels at Hwei Chow Fu, in the southern province of Kwang Tung. Imperial reinforcements, consisting of 3,000 German drilled troops, have arrived at Canton.

Kansas Yield of Wheat.

Topeka, Kan., Aug. 14.—In a bulletin issued by the state board of agriculture the wheat yield of Kansas is placed at 90,270,000 bushels.

HANG CONSUL'S ASSASSIN

Killer of Russian Official Meets Death in Week.

GOVERNMENT OFFERS \$80,000.

Would Pay That Amount of Damages to Widow of the Russian Consul, in Order to Prevent Interference on the Part of Russia.

Constantinople, Aug. 14.—Special to The News: Assassin Gendarme, who killed the Russian consul last Sunday morning, swung in the hangman's noose this morning, just six days after committing the crime. As a way of preventing any interference on the part of Russia, and of preserving peaceful relations in a diplomatic way, the government has offered the consul's widow \$80,000 damages. All Europe was stirred by the killing of the official, and Russia demanded immediate punishment of all who were in any way connected with the crime.

ADVANCE GUARD IS THERE.

Early Arrivals of G. A. R. Delegates Already Filling San Francisco.

San Francisco, Aug. 14.—Several hundred members of the Grand Army of the Republic have been added to the advance guard already in the city awaiting the opening, next Monday, of the 37th national encampment.

The majority of these arrivals recorded their names at the bureau of registration and information. The list shows that they came from twenty-eight states and territories. Accompanying them were probably three times as many tourists, relatives of the Grand Army men and members of allied orders, who are taking advantage of the low excursion rates to visit California.

The parade will be the most imposing ever seen in this city, the great parade of the Grand Army on Wednesday being confined to the veterans who bore arms for the union in the civil war.

UNION VETERANS' UNION ELECTS

General Hutchinson Urges Plan to Heal Breach.

Rochester, N. Y., Aug. 14.—The Union Veterans' union, encamped in this city, elected these officers: Commander-in-chief, General B. F. Hutchinson, Rochester; deputy commander-in-chief, General D. W. Gould, Chelsea, Mass.; second deputy commander-in-chief, Colonel Richard L. Gorman, St. Paul, Minn. Commander Hutchinson addressed the veterans on the split in the organization and recommended that an invitation be extended to all the companies throughout the country to join the union. The Woman's Relief union is also in session in this city.

Negroes Leave Whitesboro.

Whitesboro, Tex., Aug. 14.—Although promised protection by the municipal officers, negroes are leaving here in large numbers and if the exodus keeps up Whitesboro will soon be without a colored resident. The mob, foiled in an effort to mob a negro, warned the negroes to leave and several negro men were severely flogged.

LIKELY WILL BE LYNCHED.

Dollard, Who Shot Bryant and Beat Stringer Yesterday, Will Likely be Lynched.

Landers, Wyo., Aug. 14.—Special to The News: James Dollard may be lynched. Dollard yesterday shot a man named Bryant and badly beat up a man named Stringer. Stringer died today as a result of injuries and Bryant is dying now. Feeling is very high.

Open the Rooms of Leo.

Rome, Aug. 14.—The pope is quite well. He took a long drive and walk in the vatican garden and then received the Austrian ambassador, who presented his credentials. Mgr. Cagiano, the major domo, accompanied by Cardinals Rampolla and Mocenni, opened the apartment of Pope Leo, breaking the seals put on at the time of the pontiff's death. They found a considerable amount of money, it is stated, several millions of francs, besides other valuables.

Turks Destroy Village.

London, Aug. 14.—The Daily Mail prints a dispatch from Belgrade which says that the Turkish troops destroyed the village of Leskovatz and fourteen other places in the district of Uskub, and that the insurgents have burned the villages of Nakoletz and Kranj, inhabited by Albanians, and the Turkish village of Kashanti. It is stated that when the insurgents captured the Turkish mail a few days ago they carried off \$125,000.

Collision at a Crossing.

St. Louis, Aug. 14.—An incoming Missouri Pacific suburban train struck the rear of a Chouteau avenue street car at Vandeventer avenue crossing, injuring three passengers seriously. An unknown man was picked up unconscious from a fractured skull. It is feared he will die. The end of the car was badly damaged.

SEES SPIRIT OF MOB IN UNIONS.

D. M. Parry is a Speaker at Chautauqua Conference.

Chautauqua, N. Y., Aug. 14.—D. M. Parry, president of the National Association of Manufacturers, delivered one of the most important addresses before the conference on the "Mob Spirit in America." Mr. Parry spoke on "Mob Spirit in Organized Labor."

He said, in part: "In this country in the last year there have been many mobs of different kinds, but to my mind the most dangerous of them is the mob of organized labor. No man, I take it, can object to any kind of an association, which is organized for lawful and beneficent purposes, but organized labor, as it is conducted today, is a mob. It is a mob of men, organized by its own leaders as a lawless organization. In that it seeks by physical force to override individual rights and its continually railing against the laws and denouncing courts and public officials for enforcing these laws, it fulfills all the requirements of the definition of mobocracy. Unlike the lynching bees and the vigilance committees it is what might be termed a standing mob, under fair discipline by its officers, and ready upon occasion to commit the overt acts of outrage and destruction which are the outward manifestation of the mob spirit."

MAY PASS THROUGH NORFOLK.

Teddy Roosevelt, Jr., Will Probably Pass Through Norfolk on August 20.

Omaha, Aug. 14.—Special to The News: Young Teddy Roosevelt, Jr., will pass through Omaha and in all likelihood, Norfolk, also, on August 20, enroute to Deadwood, where he will spend a week before returning to school.

GREEKS WISH TO JOIN IN.

Balkan Revolt is Declared to Be Spreading Fast.

Athens, Greece, Aug. 14.—The Macedonians in Greece petitioned Premier Ralli for permission to cross the frontier with arms in order to join their brethren in Macedonia. M. Ralli refused to grant the permission, and counseled them to remain quiet. Reports from government agents in various districts of Macedonia are of a disquieting character. They say that the outbreak is steadily progressing and is steadily extending northward from Monastir and also toward Salonica. Adherents are daily joining the insurgent bands. Krushevo is still in the hands of the insurgents, who have also captured Kilsura.

New Viceroy is Appointed.

St. Petersburg, Aug. 14.—A new vice-royalty, comprising the Amur district and the Kwan Tung province, has been established. Heretofore the Amur district has been controlled by a governor general. A ukase signed by the czar and promulgated Aug. 12 appoints Vice Admiral Alexieff, aide-de-camp general to the czar, as viceroy of this far western territory. He will be vested with supreme authority in all the branches of civil administration, the direction of which will no longer be in the hands of the ministers.

Jamaicans Appeal for Aid.

Kingston, Aug. 14.—The destitution in the hurricane-stricken districts is appalling. Thousands of persons, homeless, starving and ill-clad, are hurrying to the towns to obtain shelter and supplies, but as all the churches and public buildings have been demolished the misery is intense. A meeting held at Port Antonio appealed, with the governor's approval, to the generosity of the American people. Foodstuffs and lumber are urgently needed and assistance was implored.

Vice Admiral Cervera Resigns.

Madrid, Aug. 14.—Vice Admiral Cervera, who surrendered to the American fleet off Santiago de Cuba, has resigned the position of chief of staff in the navy, to which he was appointed in December, 1902.

Iowa Guardsmen in Camp.

Cedar Rapids, Ia., Aug. 14.—The Fifty-third regiment, Iowa National Guard, went into camp for eight days. Colonel Dows of Cedar Rapids is in command.

TELEGRAMS TERSELY TOLD.

Professor W. J. McGee, in charge of the bureau of American ethnology of the Smithsonian Institution at Washington, has resigned his position.

Dispatches from Santo Domingo say that a plot to murder General Alejandro Wos Y Gil, the president, has been discovered and that there have been many arrests.

Germany has begun active work upon its general installation in the varied industries building at the World's fair. This is the first work of the kind by any foreign participating nation.

Angered and disappointed by a change in her mother's will, Mrs. C. C. Shelby, seventy years old, wife of Colonel Shelby, a veteran showman, committed suicide at Paterson, N. J., by cutting her throat.

The whipping of women convicts in Georgia was forbidden and the discharge of Warden Allagood ordered by the legislature of that state, following the investigation of the punishment inflicted by him on Mamie De Crist.

INSANE MAN RUNS AMUCK

Crazy Kansan Fires Into Crowd of Five Thousand.

SLAYS THREE, WOUNDS SCORE.

Is Himself Killed by a Policeman. Citizens Enjoying Band Concert at Winfield Scatter in Mad Panic from Fusillade.

Winfield, Kan., Aug. 14.—Alfred Twigg, aged thirty years, supposed to be insane, appeared on the principal street last night with a double barreled shotgun and fired both charges deliberately into a crowd of 5,000 people, who were listening to a band concert. He killed three persons, fatally injured three and shot twenty others, of whom six may die. Twigg was himself killed by a policeman.

The dead: Sterling Rice, a carpenter; Dawson Tillotson, a barber, brains blown out; D. Bowman, a carpenter of Oxford, Kan.; Alfred Twigg.

The injured: Mrs. John Barnard, shot in neck; James Clarkson, back and arm; R. E. Oliver, shoulder and back; Clyde Reed, hip; J. R. Story, chest and knee; William Williams, knee; Charles Thomas, knee; Charles Blair, knee; Elmer Farnsworth, bowels; Otis Carter, head; Arthur Hansford, hand; William Conchman, arm; William Moore, arm; Archie Burdette, scalp; Elmer Davis, scalp; Claud Wagoner, shoulder; Samuel Compton, arm and leg; Benjamin Ridgeway, head.

The band had just finished playing a waltz when Twigg stepped out from an alley a half block distant, and deliberately taking aim at the band stand, fired two shots. R. E. Oliver, a band man, fell at the first shot, but the crowd, not realizing what had happened, rushed toward the killer, believing that there had been an accidental shooting of some kind. As the crowd closed in the crazed man discharged two more shots at them, causing a scattering in every direction. With the crowd fleeing, the man stood firing at random in every direction. Men and women howled and shrieked and ran, but no one seemed able to stop the frightful carnage, until Policeman George Nichols confronted Twigg and fired a bullet into his head. Before life expired the demented man drew a revolver from his pocket and fired a shot in his own body. The dead and dying were by this time scattered all over the street and the frightened people, believing that the shooting was coming from every quarter, sought safety in flight. It was fully an hour before they realized what had happened and recovered sufficiently to take care of the injured.

Twigg was a miller by trade, having learned his trade twelve years ago in a little town fifteen miles north of this city. He came to Winfield shortly afterward and has been an employee of the Baden mills, where he worked for a number of years. The boys around town commonly referred to him as "Crazy Twigg," but no one thought him dangerous. Later he went to New Mexico, returning in time to enlist as a soldier in the Philippines.

ARMOUR PLANT THREATENED.

Flames in Kansas City Threaten to Take the Entire Plant, but are Extinguished.

Kansas City, Aug. 14.—Special to The News: Fire threatened the Armour plant in Kansas City this morning. The blaze was extinguished with a small loss.

Lake Firemen Charged With Mutiny.

Chicago, Aug. 14.—Because six of its members are in jail in South Haven, Mich., charged with mutiny, the Marine Firemen's union has declared war on the large passenger steamer Eastland, and says it shall not leave port until the men have been released. Six firemen quit work while the boat was in the middle of Lake Michigan and refused to perform their duty, because they were not served with mashed potatoes at dinner. Glenn Watson and William Watson, who are charged by the officers of the boat with being ring leaders, were put in irons and their four companions were driven below and kept prisoners until the boat reached South Haven, when they were all manacled and marched to jail.

Damage Suits Against Labor Unions.

Chicago, Aug. 14.—Damage suits against labor unions and members of unions aggregating \$86,900 were filed in Chicago courts. John M. Stiles, painting contractor, who alleges that his business has been ruined by labor unions, sued the painters' unions for \$50,000. The Kellogg Switchboard and Supply company filed two suits, each for \$15,000, against unions involved in the strike which terrorized Chicago several weeks ago and is still on.

Lord Salisbury is Ill.

London, Aug. 14.—Lord Salisbury is seriously indisposed according to information received direct from his family at Hatfield house. The late premier is greatly exhausted and physicians are in attendance.

MINE OWNERS MAY LET TUNNEL.

Union Men Called Out by Western Federation of Miners.

Cripple Creek, Colo., Aug. 14.—Union miners working on the drainage tunnel were called out by their executive officers. The tunnel, which will drain most of the black sea of the district, would be completed in another week at the rate of progress heretofore maintained. The strike was ordered in consequence of the refusal of Superintendent Baldwin to employ only union men.

"We will complete that tunnel if it takes the United States army to protect the work, and if it is necessary for us to put on our working clothes and do the labor ourselves," said President Samuel Bernard of the El Paso Mining company, which has the contract for building the tunnel.

It is not unlikely that rich mine owners and high salaried miners will go into the big hole to take the places of the men called out. There are now about 4,000 men in the district. The owners have announced their determination to resume work as soon as men can be secured, preference being given to former employees. The owners characterize the action of the officers of the Western Federation of Miners in calling the strike in the absence of any grievances as "arbitrary and unjustifiable," and announce that "all men applying for work will be protected to the last degree."

LIGHTNING KILLS LITTLE GIRL.

Grace Beiseker, While Riding a Horse, Was Instantly Killed This Morning at Grant.

Grant, Neb., Aug. 14.—Special to The News: A little 7-year-old girl, Grace Beiseker, while riding a horse near here, was struck by lightning this morning and instantly killed.

VESUVIUS AGAIN VIOLENT.

Panic Prevails Among the Populace. Evoke Divine Aid.

Rome, Aug. 14.—Vesuvius is again causing intense alarm. In the surrounding region, eruptions of the volcano being very heavy. From a fresh opening at the base of the principal crater two streams of lava are issuing, which, within a few hours, covered a wide tract of ground. One stream is going swiftly towards the village of Ottajano, the direction taken by the famous eruption of 1872. Panic prevails, the population crowding the churches to pray or gathering in open spaces for safety. Experts, however, affirm that so far there is no reason to fear a serious disaster.

Colonel Meade to Be Retired.

Washington, Aug. 14.—By order of the president, Colonel Robert L. Meade of the United States marine corps will be retired Oct. 3 next, in his present grade. Because of a disrespectful letter which Colonel Meade recently addressed to the navy department, the president took advantage of the law, which provides that when an officer in the army or marine corps shall have reached the age of sixty-two years he may be retired on his own request, or by order of the president.

Invoke President's Good Offices.

Yokohama, Aug. 14.—A special dispatch from Peking to a local paper here says that Prince Ching has secured Russia's consent to the invoking of President Roosevelt's good offices in connection with the Manchurian difficulty.

SPARKS FROM THE WIRES.

Two miners are dead and three injured as the result of an explosion of powder at the entrance to a mine at Coal City, Ala.

Safeflowers secured from the post-office at Sherman, S. D., \$1,500 in notes, \$300 in cash and \$150 in stamps. The robbers left no clue.

B. Frank Gillespie, former chairman of the Pennsylvania state Republican committee, died at his home at Bristol, Pa., of paralysis.

J. V. Painter, aged sixty-eight, well known in business and financial interests throughout the country, died at his residence in Cleveland.

It is reported that the Keystone Car Wheel company of Pittsburg is included in the consolidation of eight large car wheel plants now forming.

Henry Ives Cobb, special architect of the new Chicago postoffice, was dismissed by Secretary Shaw on charges of negligence and business-like methods.

William Dooley, who is wanted in Montgomery, Mo., on a charge of assault with intent to murder, was arrested in Springfield, Ill., by detectives. He admits the charge.

Estimates of the hop crop of the Pacific coast, based on the present condition of the fields, indicate that the total will approach 155,000 bales, as against 170,000 bales last year.

Ironduquet, the American challenger for the Canada cup, won the fifth and deciding race of the series from Strathcona, defender of the cup, thus wresting the trophy from across the water.

A cablegram received at the office of the missionary society of the Methodist Episcopal church in New York announced the death of Rev. John Gilbert Cleveland, presiding elder of the Sendai district, Japan conference.